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André D. Sesler

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André Sesler is a civil litigation lawyer who advises insurance companies and their policyholders on coverage and claim-related issues. This includes defending and counseling carriers in first-party and third-party bad faith and extra-contractual claims and litigation. André also has experience in Magnuson-Moss Warranty product defect litigation and Lemon Law litigation on behalf of luxury car manufacturers. He is involved in all phases of litigation and ensures his clients are informed throughout the process.

With more than a decade of litigation experience, André has defended professional liability, product liability, health care, and general liability claims while also counseling clients facing claims of negligence, strict liability, wrongful death, and premises liability.

Prior to joining Hinshaw, André spent several years in the Tampa office of a Tallahassee-based firm. While there, he bolstered his insurance litigation experience and eventually became a member of the firm's Shareholder Committee.

During law school, André served as Chapter President of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. In addition to clerking in the South Florida offices of a Florida-based firm, he was a summer federal judicial extern in Tampa for the Honorable Elizabeth Kovachevich, Chief Judge in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida.

Professional Affiliations

- The Florida Bar
- Florida Defense Lawyers Association
- Hillsborough County Bar Association
 - Secretary, Board of Directors, 2021-2022
 - Young Lawyers Division
- J. Clifford Cheatwood American Inns of Court
- North Tampa Bar Association

Honors & Awards

Professional



Practices

Commercial Litigation Professional Liability

Industries

Health Care Defense

Insurance & Reinsurance

Insurance Coverage

Insurer Litigation — Bad Faith/ Extra-Contractual

Education

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2011

B.S., *cum laude*, University of South Florida, 2007

Admissions

Florida

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Middle, Northern, and Southern Districts of Florida



- Selected by his peers for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch for Insurance Law, 2021 2024
- Recognized on the Rising Stars list by Florida Super Lawyers magazine, 2019 2023
- Named to the "2023 Top 40 Under 40" by Lake & Sumter Style Magazine
- Named to the "2022 Top 10 Under 40" by TAMPA Magazine
- Academic
 - University of Florida Levin College of Law
 - Dean's List
 - Presidential Scholarship

Presentations

André has delivered a number of in-house presentations of Florida Department of Financial Services approved continuing education courses for insurance adjusters.

Some of his presentations include:

- "Good Faith Claims Handling"
- "Florida Wrongful Death Act 101"

Personal

André is a native of Florida and is an avid sports fan. Outside of the office, he enjoys participating in competitive sports and spending time with his family.

Community/Civic Activities

- Idlewild Baptist Church, Youth Soccer Coach
- Trinity Cafe Tampa Bay, Food Pantry Volunteer
- YMCA, Board of Directors